

HISTORY OF CHINA

History 262/4 Lec.52

Winter, 1993

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CLASS HOURS : Thursdays, 18:05-20:10

REQUIRED TEXTS:

DeBary, Sources of Chinese Tradition (2 Volumes)

Fairbank and Reischauer, China: Tradition and Transformation

EXAMINATION:

There will be a formal examination at the conclusion of the course.

PAPERS:

The student's attention should be drawn initially to the list of suggested reading topics distributed by the instructor. Those who wish to pursue other topics may do so only after consultation with, and approval from, the instructor. Each student is expected to read at least four books on the theme that he or she chooses and to produce a short (10-page) critical essay based on the readings. Students are encouraged to submit outlines and/or first drafts of their essays until Thursday, March 4, 1993. The final essay is to be typewritten and submitted no later than Wednesday, March 25, 1993.

GRADING:

Examination - 60%

Paper - 40%

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SCHEDULE OF LECTURES AND READINGS

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Lecture Topic</u>
Jan. 7	Course orientation and video
Jan.14	Geographic context

TRADITIONAL CHINA

Jan.21	Historical framework	
Jan.28	Philosophy and Religion	READINGS
Feb. 4	Government and Politics	Fairbank, Chaps. 1-9 DeBary I, Chaps. 1-7
Feb.11	Society and Economy	9-10, 12-16, 19.
Feb.18	Culture/Foreign relations	

MODERN CHINA

Mar. 4	The West comes to China	
Mar.11	Taipings: revolution begins	READINGS
Mar.18	Manchus: restoration and decline	Fairbank, Chaps.10-15 DeBary II, Chaps.20-25
Mar.25	Nationalists: revolution continues	
Apr. 1	Communists: revolution succeeds	
Apr. 8	China since 1949	